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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOSCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E. C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 180 & 182, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOSCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

CHINA.—SWATOW, QUERON & CAMPBELL, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co., Foochow, HEDDER & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Manila, C. HEINRICH & Co., Macao, L. A. DA GRAGA.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAND AND PROPERTY.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 10th March, 1877, at Noon, on the Premises (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale).—

A Portion of that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 174, abutting on the North side thereof on a Close registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 170, and measuring thereon forty-five feet, on the South side on the remaining portion of Inland Lot No. 174 and measuring thereon forty-five feet, on the East side thereof on Peel Street, and measuring thereon twenty-nine feet, and on the West side thereof on Staveley Street and measuring thereon twenty-nine feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 1317 square feet and is known as No. 3 Peel Street, together with the three-storyed TERRACE or DWELLING HOUSE erected thereon.

Annual Crown Rent, \$15.56.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser.
The Property to be at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

For further Particulars, apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, February 26, 1877. mcl0

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Rev. R. H. KIDD to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 12th day of March, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m. (instead of the time previously advertised), at his Residence,
Albany Road.—

The whole of his Household FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—Drawing, Dining and Bedroom Suites, Sofas, Chairs, Easy Chairs, Mirrors, Tables, Pictures, Sideboard, Whatnots, Glass and Plated Ware, Crockery Ware, Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Toilet Tables and Glass, Washstands, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Saturday, the 10th March.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, February 26, 1877. mcl2

Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending on 30th December last, at the rate of ONE POUND STERLING (£1) per share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after THURSDAY, the 15th Instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
THOMAS JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

Intimations.

PARTIES having left some Luggage are requested to take delivery of same as soon as convenient, but not later than the 31st March next. After this date they will be sold by Auction; the Amount realised will be placed to the credit of their account with the Hotel.

V. FAYRE,
Proprietor, Hotel de l'Univers,
Hongkong, March 5, 1877. mcl3

Intimations.

NAVAL & MILITARY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

WITH the kind Permission and under the Patronage of H. E. the Hon. Sir F. COLBORNE, K.C.B., and H. E. Vice-Admiral RYDER,

The above Sports will be held ON THE CRICKET GROUND, TO-MORROW, the 10th March, 1877.

COMMITTEE:

Commodore G. W. WATSON, President.
Lt.-Col. C. A. S. DICKINS, Vice-President.
28th Regt.,

MEMBERS:

Commander H. SALMOND, R.N.
Lieut. W. S. P. GRAVES, R.N.
J. E. C. GODRIKH, R.N.
F. O. PIKE, R.N.
W. HYNES, Esq.
Lieut.-Col. HALL, R.A.
Major BURTON, R.E.
Capt. DUCAT, 28th Regt.
Dep. Com. BAKER, Commst. Dept.
Asst. " KERNAGHAN.

JUDGES:

Capt. COLOMB, R.N.
Lt.-Col. DICKINS, 28th Regt.
" " HALL, R.A.

STARTERS:

Capt. DUCAT, 28th Regt.
Commander SALMOND, R.N.

PROGRAMME:—2ND DAY.

- 1.—Throwing the Hammer.
- 2.—100 Yards Flat Race.
- 3.—200 Yards Flat Race.—Heavy Marching Order. Open to Soldiers and Marines.
- 4.—Throwing the Cricket Ball.
- 5.—Final Tie of Tug of War.
- 6.—440 Yards Flat Race.
- 7.—Wheel Barrow Race.
- 8.—One Mile Flat Race.—Open.
- 9.—Tug of War.—Presented by the Royal Naval Dockyard. To be pulled by a Single Team from the Army, Navy and Dockyard Employees.
- 10.—120 Yards Hurdle Race.
- 11.—30 Yards Flat Race.—Open to Sailors and Marines of Foreign Men-of-War.
- 12.—Two Miles Flat Race.
- 13.—Sack Race.
- 14.—Final Tie of Tug of War.—For R. N. Dockyard Prize.
- 15.—Consolation Race.—For Beaten Runners.—300 Yards Flat Race.

Spectators are particularly requested not to pass under the ropes; a Grand Stand is erected for their accommodation. The First Race to be started at 1.30 o'clock punctually.

R. S. F. WALKER, 28th REGT.,
Hon. Secretary.

MURRAY BARRACKS,
Hongkong, March 9, 1877. mcl0

Intimations.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, Old Broad Street, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors,
WILLIAM HUNT,
Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street,
LONDON,
1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE Co.
20, Old Broad Street,
LONDON,
1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836.
CAPITAL, £1,000,000 STERLING.
RESERVE FUND, £250,000

WITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSURANCE Co. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appointed Mr. A. McIVER as its AGENT in Hongkong.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT J. LODGE,
Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class Steamer.

A. McIVER,
Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of London.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877. au17

THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ESTABLISHED 1863.

T. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 23, 1876. ap28

Intimations.

NEITHER Captain FORBES nor the AGENTS or OWNERS of the American Brig "GARIBOLDI" will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by the Crew.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, February 26, 1877. mcl3

Intimations.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

ROUYER GUILLET & Co.'s CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One *, Two **, Three ***, and Four ***, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,

POMMERY & GRENOS

"Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877. [ap6]



NAVAL CONTRACT, 1877-8.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be received by the Undersigned, until Noon on THURSDAY, the 15th March, 1877, from Persons desirous of SUPPLYING the following ARTICLES for the use of H. M. Navy for the year 1877-8, viz.:—
FRESH BEEF RAISING
FRESH VEGETABLES WATER
RICE SOFT BREAD
SUGAR BISCUITS
TEA

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Naval Storekeeper's Office.
The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.

J. BRENNER,
Storekeeper.
H. M. Victualling Yard, Hongkong, mcl6
February 23, 1877.

Intimations.

THE Undersigned have this day CLOSED their PHOTOGRAPHIC ROOMS and ceased to carry on Business. Creditors are requested to send in their Claims for payment not later than the 15th Instant. Those indebted to us will oblige by an early settlement.

HONGKONG PHOTOGRAPHIC CO.
Hongkong, March 2, 1877. mcl2

ERNEST WASSALL & Co., PHOTOGRAPHERS.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as PHOTOGRAPHER at the Corner of Wyndham and Wellington Streets, at the Building lately occupied by the HONGKONG PHOTOGRAPHIC Co., under the above Style.

ERNEST WASSALL.
Hongkong, March 3, 1877. ap1

Intimations.

NOTICE.

MR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last.
MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST STEBS has been authorized to sign for us by Procuration. We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. ap2

Intimations.

WE have been appointed AGENTS for the AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, February 2, 1877. ap2

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.

WM. CRUICKSHANK,
Manager.
Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

Intimations.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the name of MASTERN & HULSE has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

C. J. MESTERN,
W. HULSE.
Canton, December 31, 1876. ap2

For Sale.

SAYLE & Co.

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE.

IN Order to make Room for SPRING GOODS.

On and after MONDAY, February 5th, We shall offer the Remainder of Our WINTER STOCK at an immense reduction.

DRESS GOODS at 15 cents per yard.
DRESS GOODS at 20 cents per yard.
DRESS GOODS at 25 cents per yard.
DRESS GOODS at 30 cents per yard.
DRESS GOODS at 35 cents per yard.

FANCY SILKS! We offer about 5,000 yards at 35 cents per yard, (these are more or less soiled); original price \$1.50 and \$2.00 per yard.

JAPANESE SILKS! Reduced to 40 cents per yard.

WOOL SHAWLS, MANTLES and JACKETS, Marked very Cheap.

LADIES' Boys' and Girls' FELT HATS, at Half Price.

FANCY WOOL GOODS, at less than Half Price.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S WOOL and MERINO HOSE, Greatly reduced.

100 dozen CHILDREN'S WOOL and MERINO SOCKS, all Sizes, at less than Half Price.

Several thousand Yards of VARIOUS REMNANTS, comprising FLANNELS, CALICOES, FRINGS, MUSLINS, STUFF GOODS and Other Useful GOODS, are Marked at Prices, which must effect immediate Sale.

In order to prevent disappointment, We beg to inform Our Customers and the Public that this Extraordinary, and Unprecedented Sale must close on February 28th.

SAYLE & Co.,

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

For Sale.

CHAMPAGNE, 1874.
HEIDSIECK & Co., MONOPOLE.
Hongkong, February 19, 1877. mcl9

Shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

The Company's Steamship "PEI-HO,"
Comdt. LEOUENTRE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI on SATURDAY, the 10th Instant, at Noon.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, March 8, 1877. mcl0

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "LEONOR,"
Captain M. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, at Day-light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.
Hongkong, March 6, 1877. mcl1

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 41 American Ship "McNEAR,"
W. TAYLOR, Master, will load here, and will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 12 years 3/3 L. 11 Danish Bark
"KORSOR,"
L. C. GROVE, Master, will load here, and will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

FOR LONDON.

41 British Ship
"STAR OF CHINA,"
BLAKE, Master, will load here and have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.

The British Bark
"SPIRIT OF THE AGE,"
Captain JOHNSON, will have a quick despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ROZARIO & Co.
Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR YLOILO.

The 41 Spanish Schooner "UNION,"
MERCADEREABRA, Master, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.
Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

Notices to Consignees

BRITISH SHIP SIR HARRY PARKES, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MELOHERS & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, March 7, 1877. mcl0

GERMAN STEAMER HESPERIA,

JOHANNSEN, Master, FROM HAMBURG AND LONDON via SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, from whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Boat alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 12th Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded, unless notice to the contrary is given until Noon This Day.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
WM. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, March 5, 1877. mcl2

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. "Penguin" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, March 7, 1877. mcl4

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Arratoon Apar, Capt. A. B. MACLEOD, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, March 8, 1877. mcl5

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. "India," from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained from the time of landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 5 o'clock p.m. This Day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 15th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, March 8, 1877. mcl8

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, March 1, 1877.

Ex 4/4, January 11th, 1877.

THO No. 1/3, . . . 2 cases Stores.

GD No. 1, . . . 1 case Paper.

Ex 7/4, February 9th, 1877.

D B No. 257/270, . . . 14 cases Merchandise.

N (in diamond), . . . 2 cases Oil.

MD No. 1/2, . . . 2 cases Oil.

Ex 4/4, February 22, 1877.

O & C No. 3, . . . 1 case Measurings.

RS No. 180, . . . 1 case Clothing.

ASW & C (Indian), . . . 1 case Perfumery.

No. 1604, . . . 1 case Bala.

FF, . . . 1 case Bala.

Hongkong, March 1, 1877.

Intimations.

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE
DE 1876.

THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the CONSULATE all Information and Particulars they may require.

For the Consul,
G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul.
Hongkong, December 16, 1876.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

STAR OF CHINA, British ship, Captain E. B. Blaker. — Douglas Lapraik & Co.
NEHEMIAH GIBSON, American barque, Captain D. Bradford. — Arnold, Karberg & Co.

BONITO, German barque, Captain J. F. Wessenberg. — Siemens & Co.

ALDEN BISSER, American barque, Captain S. Noyes. — Rozario & Co.

TYBURNIA, British ship, Captain Robt. Golden. — Meyer & Co.

FORMOSA, German 3-m. schooner, Capt. G. Schaefer. — Melchers & Co.

WANDERING MINSTER, British barque, Captain Wm. Sivewright. — Siemens & Co.

MYSTIC BELLE, American ship, Captain David Plummer. — Siemens & Co.

ORANGE GROVE, British barque, Captain A. Longmuir. — Vogel, Hagendorf & Co.

ROSINA, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hansen. — Arnold, Karberg & Co.

TULLOCHGORUM, British schooner, Capt. S. Masson. — Chinese.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR LONDON.

The British Ship
"ANGLO SAXON,"
O. HARRINGTON, Master, will
load here and have immediate
despatch.

For Freight, apply to

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, March 8, 1877.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 8, *Nestor*, British steamer, 1414, Webster, Liverpool Jan. 18, via ports of call, and Singapore Feb. 23, General. — BYRNFIELD & SWIRE.

March 9, *Normandy*, British steamer, 1000, Reddel, Sydney Jan. 27, via East Australian ports, and Singapore Feb. 23, General. — GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

March 9, *Duna*, British steamer, 852, John Steele, Liverpool Jan. 6, via ports of call, and Singapore Feb. 27, General. — GILMAN & CO.

DEPARTURES.

Mar. 9, *Peng-chow hai*, for a cruise.
9, *Macgregor*, for Shanghai.
9, *Thales*, for Cooktown.
9, *Tamais*, for Yokohama.
9, *China*, for Canton.
9, *Bonito*, for London.
9, *Canton*, for Newchwang.
9, *H.M.S. Sylvia*, for a cruise.
9, *H.M.S. Growler*, for a cruise.

CLEARED.

Norma, for Swatow.
Jacobine, for Takow.
Nehemiah Gibson, for Cebu.
Preto, for Tientsin.
Nestor, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

Per *Nestor*, from Liverpool, &c., Messrs Draw and Archibald, Miss Algar, and 93 Chinese.
Per *Normandy*, from Sydney, Messrs C. Dolsenhammer, F. W. Powell, and Furlonger. From Singapore, 1 European, 214 Chinese, and 3 Natives.
Per *Duna*, from Singapore, &c., 17 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Heesperia*, for Shanghai, Capt. Nelson, and 120 Chinese.
Per *Macgregor*, for Shanghai, about 100 Chinese.
Per *Thales* for Cooktown, 460 Chinese.
Per *Canton*, for Newchwang, 3 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Nestor* reports: Had strong N.E. winds and heavy sea up to Paracels, from thence to port had light E.N.E. winds and fine weather.

The British steamer *Duna* reports: Had had weather in Channel, left Holyhead on the 8th Jan. had strong Westerly and N.W. winds to Port Said, where we arrived on the 24th, reached Suez on the 28th, thence to Galle light winds and fine weather, thence to Acheen Head strong monsoon and high sea. Arrived at Singapore on Feb. 23rd, and left again for Hongkong on the 27th, and had strong monsoon and heavy head sea to arrival.

The S. S. *Normandy* reports: Left Sydney at 8 p.m. of the 27th Jan. on the 28th at 11.20 p.m. anchored in Brisbane Roads, and left again the 1st Feb. Thence had light N.E. winds, and on the 3rd anchored in Koppal Bay at 4.40 a.m. Left again at 8.05 a.m. and had strong breeze with heavy confused sea. Arrived at Bowen at 4.30 p.m. of the 4th, and left again at 8 p.m. Townsville on Feb. 5th, 5.30 p.m., and Ocktown 9 p.m. of the 6th, left Ocktown on the 8th at 2.15 p.m., arriving at Somerset next day at 4.45 a.m. Thence experienced strong N.W. winds with heavy squalls to Cape Jack, then strong westerly winds and dark cloudy weather. Passed through Sapordit Straits on the 20th at 5 a.m., and on the 21st passed Bowran Island, having strong W.S.W. winds and dark squally weather, thence to Singapore strong N.N.E. wind and fine weather. Left Singapore on the 28th Feb., and thence to port strong N.N.E. winds and cloudy weather with heavy head sea.

CARGO.

Per *Oceanic*, sailed 3rd March, 1877:—
For Yokohama, 8,512 bags Sugar, 60 cases Oatmeal, 27 pkgs. Manila Rope, and 187 pkgs. Merchandise. For San Francisco, 27,175 bags Rice, 230 bags Beans, 189 bags

Sugar, 5 chests Persian Opium, 31 boxes Prepared Opium, 140 bales Hessian Cloth, 60 pkgs. Tea, 1 pkgs. Silks, 100 rolls Matting, 800 Empty Quickfiller Flasks, and 2,781 pkgs. Merchandise. For New York, 2 pkgs. Merchandise, and 10 cases Silk.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.
MAILS will close:—

For SAIGON.—
For JEDDAH, at 9.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
For PEIHO, at 11 a.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst.; late letters received from 11.10 to 11.30.

For SINGAPORE, SUEZ & LONDON.—
For PATROULUS, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For SAIGON.—
For Schooner FORMOSA, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
For NESTOR, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For HAIPHONG.—
For Schooner TULLOCHGORUM, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 12th inst.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—
The English Contract Packet TRAVAN-CORE will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 15th inst.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 14th.
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 15th.
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with LATE FAX of 18 cents extra postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only, addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Hongkong, March 2, 1877. me15

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet ALASKA will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 20th inst., with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, and London, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m., Post Office closes.

2.30 p.m., Correspondence for Japan or the United States only may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra postage until

2.50 p.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, March 8, 1877. me20

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet ANADYR will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 22nd inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked *paid to Galle only*; they will go on from Galle as unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 21st inst.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 22nd inst.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only, except those to and through Australia, may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

Hongkong, March 8, 1877. me22

General Memoranda.

Sunday, March 11:—
Daylight.—*Leonor* leaves for Coast Ports.

Monday, March 12:—
2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at Rev. R. H. Kidd's Residence, Albany Road.

Goods per *Heesperia* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Tuesday, March 13:—
Noon.—Naval Contract Tenders close for the supply of Provisions.

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Goods per *Pei-Ho* undelivered after this date subject to rent and landing charges.

Claims against the Hongkong Photographic Co. close after this date.

Friday, March 16:—
Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

Thursday, March 20:—
3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Monday, April 2:—
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—*Pei-Ho* leaves for Shanghai.

Auction.

Noon.—Sale of Ground and Property in Peel Street.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 1877.

THE commercial reports for 1875 from Her Majesty's Consuls in Japan, which have recently been issued in their usual form of a blue-book, again afford us anything but a satisfactory account of the trade for the year in that country. We have the old story repeated that Japan is being yearly drained of an immense amount of treasure through the imports far exceeding the exports in value, and that the only remedy for such a ruinous state of affairs to the country is to more fully develop its natural resources. A comparison of the imports and exports, as set out in these returns, shows there is a balance against Japan of no less than \$12,000,000, which she would have to pay in treasure. Nor does the country exhibit signs, year after year, of improving in this respect. On the contrary, in the returns before us the imports show an increase of nearly 22 per cent. on those of 1874, while the exports show a decrease of 10 per cent. on those of the previous year. We are, however, cautioned in these returns against assuming that the import trade with Japan is increasing to the extent that these figures might be supposed to denote, or that the productive power of the country is on the decline to such a degree. A large proportion of the foreign goods included in these returns, it is pointed out, has been sold at a loss to the importers, and although the production of Japanese silk and tea in 1875 exceeded in quantity that of previous years, it was exported at lower values. The following table shows that for four years the total foreign trade of Japan has fluctuated between \$44,000,000 and \$50,000,000, and that the aggregate of 1875 is \$3,000,000 less than in 1872:—

Imports. Exports. Total.

1872 \$28,168,441 \$24,304,592 \$52,473,033

1873 27,444,088 20,880,984 48,325,072

1874 24,223,829 20,001,687 44,225,516

1875 29,467,067 19,014,890 48,481,957

As we have previously hinted, Sir Harry Parkes suggests that to ameliorate this state of things the natural resources of the country should be more fully developed. It will be recollected that a very valuable report on the mineral wealth of Japan was published last year from Mr. F. B. Plunket, of the British Legation. He showed how rich the country was in mineral resources, and how little had been done to develop them. In almost every portion of Japan are found ores of some kind, and although there is scarcely a district in which there are not traces of mines having been worked, yet most of them have been abandoned, or are worked in a very slovenly manner. In April 1875 it is calculated that there were in Japan 1,856 mines for which working leases had been obtained, but the total yield of the mines in 1874 was only 8,687,275 yen. Of all these only one had a shaft, namely, the Takashima coal mine, the rest being worked by adits or mere openings, and the water pumped out by means of bamboo pumps. One mine was said to have as many as 300 adits. The Takashima mine is a fair instance of what may be obtained through foreign machinery and skill.—In 1869 its yearly output was about 85,000 tons; in 1874 it was 72,428 tons while last year it was reported to be yielding as many as 735 tons per day, which would give a yearly yield of about 200,000 tons. The value of the daily output was then computed at 5,500 yen of which 2,000 were net profit. The Japanese work their mines on the same method,

with a few exceptions, as those followed in ancient times. They never sink shafts, and as the water gains on the miners the mine is abandoned. No mines can be worked without special license from the Government, and foreigners are excluded from any and all participation in this particular industry. No foreigner can hold a share in a mine, or lend money on the security of one. The right to work a mine, also, does not belong to the owner of the soil, for in Japan possession of the surface does not carry with it the right to the mineral wealth below. This belongs by law to the Government, who exact from the worker of the ores a varying royalty, and a surface rent of one yen per eighteen thousand square feet for all mines except iron and coal, which pay half the sum. The ordinary land tax is also charged to the miner. The Japanese are no doubt gradually awakening to the advisability of working their mines after foreign methods, but considering their rapid progress in other directions, it seems exceedingly strange that so little has been done for the development of mining enterprise in the country. Resident foreign engineers with efficient foreign assistants are now, we believe, employed at several of the mines, and a number of Japanese students have been sent abroad to study mining, whilst others have begun a similar course of study in their own country; the Department of Education, indeed, proposes to establish a mining college in connection with the university at Tokio. Sir Harry Parkes expresses an opinion in his report that Japan's readiest and largest means for improving her present financial prospects lie in her mineral deposits, but he points out that a great deal can also be done to develop her grain production and trade. We append extracts from the reports of the Consuls at Yokohama, Nagasaki and Hiogo, showing the position of trade during the year at these places:—

YOKOHAMA.—Consul Flowers reports that a comparison of the trade of this Port in 1875 with that of 1874 shows a decrease of \$83,572, the total value of imports and exports being \$3,684,893 in 1875, against \$4,217,965 in 1874. As regards imports, a great decrease in both cotton and woollen goods is apparent, the import of these staples having steadily declined since 1872, and this decrease is very inadequately counterbalanced by a slight increase in the importation of mixed cotton and woollen manufactures. Consul Flowers says:—"The import trade has continued to show very unsatisfactory results. The competition between the Mitsubishi Company (native) and the Pacific Mail Company has kept freights very low for the greater part of the year. This has enabled the natives merchants to buy their goods in the larger markets, where, it is presumed, a better selection may be obtained, and to bring their purchases down to this part of the country at a nominal expense. Another cause of the dull state of affairs is to be traced to the fact that a number of the smaller Chinese merchants have taken to selling piece goods in very small quantities (of six or ten pieces at a time) to the country people. It is natural to infer that this course has materially interfered with the trade of the native dealers. It has prevented them from buying except in small quantities." The export trade of the twelve months Mr Flowers considers on the whole to have been tolerably satisfactory. Though the total values do not show an increase (\$2,159,303 in 1875, against \$2,342,799 in 1874), the yield of some of the principal articles of produce has manifestly increased.

HIOGO AND OSAKA.—Consul Amneley reports that the returns show a decrease in the business of the two ports of \$3,849,487 as compared with 1874. This considerable falling off had been caused by a diminution in both the quantity and value of the goods dealt in. The total result of the trade of the year had proved most disastrous, and the value of property had in consequence greatly depreciated.

YOKOHAMA.—Consul Robertson reports that the value of the trade for 1875 was as follows:—Imports \$2,159,303, exports \$2,466,730, showing a total of \$4,626,033, which is an increase of \$5,125,768, upon the value of the trade of the preceding year. In imports:—Cotton manufactures exhibit an increase of \$207,351; woollens an increase of \$1,656,719; mixed cotton and woollen an increase of \$188,171; metals a decrease of \$86,631; arms and ammunition an increase of \$26,178; miscellaneous, foreign, an increase of \$2,840,170; miscellaneous, local, an increase of \$305,658. In exports:—Silk shows an increase of \$129,726; all-worm-egg cards a decrease of \$256,354; tea a decrease of \$29,898.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It may be noted that the departure of the P. M. S. S. *Alaska* from Hongkong has been postponed until the 20th inst.

The Viceroy intends shortly to make a tour of inspection over all the streets of Canton, but in view of their narrowness, he has reduced the number of bearers who are to carry his chair. The proper number of men for a Viceroy's chair is eight, but he contents himself with four only on this occasion.

The ceremony of the ordination of a Deacon by the Archbishop Gregorio took place at Singapore on Feb. 11th in the Armenian Church, Hill Street, in the presence of the Armenian community and a number of other residents. The ordination service began about a quarter past five o'clock, and after several portions of the Armenian Liturgy had been read, the right Reverend Archbishop entered from a side door dressed in a gorgeous robe and wearing a brilliant mitre, having in his left hand a cross and in his right the eucharistic euk. The warden of the Armenian church, Mr. P. A. Bith, was then ordained a Deacon, the ceremony consisting of kneeling before the Archbishop, anointing with oil, consecration, bestowal of the Archbishop's blessing, and investiture with a deacon's silk band. His Grace the Archbishop then delivered a short address and dismissed his hearers with his benediction.

Police Intelligence.

(Before James Russell, Esq.)
March 9, 1877.

LARCENY.

Lo A-po, a coolie, was charged with stealing two pieces of calico from the basket of a woman who was carrying it through Gough Street. Two months' hard labour.

DISEASED MEAT.

The proprietor of the Sun Hop cattle lan, First Street, Saipingoon, was charged with sending to the Slaughter House a diseased bullock to be slaughtered. F. C. George Ray stated that he was on duty at the Slaughter House, and at 6.40 p.m. on the 7th, the defendant brought a diseased bullock to be killed, but witness discovered it to be suffering from pneumonia, and took it to the Central Station. The defendant usually brought his cattle to be slaughtered at 4.30 or 5 o'clock p.m., but on this occasion, he came after dark. Inspector Orley proved that the animal was in an advanced state of pneumonia, and was totally unfit for human food. The defendant said he did not know the animal was diseased. The animal had been working at sugar grinding at Toong-koon. Fined \$50, or two months' hard labour.

FOND OF FOWLS.

Wong Law Sheung, a coolie, was charged with stealing eleven fowls from the Town Police Station, the property of Inspector Cameron. He was sent to go to a drain and hide the basket of fowls. Three months' hard labour.

NAVAL & MILITARY

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

These Sports were commenced this afternoon on the Cricket Ground, under the patronage of Major General Sir F. Colborne, and Vice-Admiral Ryder. The Committee consisted of:—Commodore Watson (president), Lieut. Col. Dickinson, 28th Regt., (vice-president), Commander Salmon, Lieut. A. Graves, Godrich, and Pike, R.N., Mr. Hynes, Lieut. Col. Hall, R.A., Major Burton, R.A., Captain Ducat, 28th, Dep. Com. Baker, Asst. Com. Korneghan, and Lieut. Walker, 28th, hon. secretary. Capt. Colomb, R.N., Col. Dickinson, and Col. Hall acted as Judges; and the Starters were Capt. Ducat, 28th, and Commander Salmon. Amongst those present were Sir John and Lady Smale, Major-General Colborne, Admirals Ryder and Rogers, Mr. Justice Snowden, and numbers of the leading residents. The weather was hot and anything but bracing, while it must have rendered the more prolonged muscular efforts very hot and uncomfortable work indeed. The Band of H.M.S. *Audacious* was present during the afternoon.

By kind permission of Admiral Rogers and the Captain and Officers of the U.S.S. *Tennessee*, the band of that vessel will be on the Ground at 3 p.m. to-morrow, as well as the Band of H.M.S. *Audacious*.

1.—BOYS' RACE.—200 Yards.—1st Prize, \$4; 2nd, \$2.
G. Goulder, H.M.S. *Audacious*.
Pte. Wells,
Pte. Somers, 28th Regt.

The Sports were opened by this race, which came off punctually at the time advertised. Private Somers was handicapped 15 yards on account of age, and Wells was allowed a start of 10 yards, the result being a dead heat between Somers and Goulder.

1. Goulder and Somers, dead heat.

2. Wells.

Time, 28½ secs.

2.—PUTTING THE SHOT.—1st Prize, \$5; 2nd, \$2.50.
Gunner Smith, R.A.
Pte. Grady, 28th Regt.
Pte. Quinn, 28th

Pte. McNamory (a post entry) made the best cast, 23ft. 6¼ in., and Hunt second, 23ft. 5¼ in.

3.—LONG JUMP.—1st Prize, \$5; 2nd, \$2.50.
R. Pinfield, H.M.S. *Audacious*.
V. Butler,
Gunn. Vengy, Gun Lascor.
Pte. Flanagan, 28th Regt.
Pte. Kearns
Gunn. Appasawny, Gun Lascor.

The six competitors who had entered for this match, all came forward. Pinfield, Butler, and Flanagan all went over the line. Vengy was the first to make a clear jump. Kearns, however, covered this, but it was not allowed, as he fell; on a second trial, however, he managed to clear it; but Vengy being allowed another trial, out him out.

1. Gunn. Vengy, G. L., 28th. 8¼ in.

2. Pte. Kearns, 28th Regt., 28ft. 6 in.

4.—ONE MILE FLAT RACE.—Open to Sailors and Marines.—1st Prize, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$2.50.
H. King, H.M.S. *Audacious*.
J. Johns, "
Pte. Meers, R.M.L. Infantry.
Pte. Keats, "
Pte. Gilbey, "
Pte. Williams, H.M.S. *Audacious*.

A very good start was effected, Ruse taking the lead, which he continued to increase the first two rounds; but here the others began to pull forward, and Glover (a post entry) who had been a considerable distance behind and last but one, came forward and ran into second place, which however he did not keep long. He ran like a ship in a sea-way. On the last round, Ruse lost his lead and had to give place to Johns,

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